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1. DECLARATION ON SOUTHERN AFRICA --

HAVING HEARD THAT SOME AFRICANS MAY BE SPREADING THE RUMOR THAT THE FIVE WEO MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL "HAVE REJECTED" THE LATEST AFRICAN TEXT OF A DECLARATION ON SOUTHERN AFRICA, THE FIVE ARRANGED A MEETING WITH THE THREE AFRICAN COUNCIL MEMBERS TO ELICIT REASONS FOR THEIR REFUSAL TO CONSIDER OUR PACKAGE OF SEVEN AMENDMENTS. VON WECHMAR (FRG) BEGAN BY DESCRIBING TO THE REPRESENTATIVES OF MAURITIUS, BENIN AND LIBYA THE FIVE-POWER DEMARCHE IN CAPE TOWN ON NAMIBIA, AND TOLD THEM THE FIVE BELIEVE THAT A COUNCIL DECLARATION ON SOUTHERN AFRICA WOULD HELP IN DISCUSSIONS WITH THE SAG. AMB RAMPHUL (MAURITIUS) REITERATED SERIOUS DIFFICULTIES HE EXPERIENCED WITHIN CONFIDENTIAL

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AFRICAN GROUP, WHERE SOME REMAIN OPPOSED TO ANY DECLARATION, AND SAID HIS MANDATE IS TO RECEIVE NO AMENDMENTS. HE STATED PLAINLY THAT THERE IS MUCH CONCERN AMONGST AFRICAN MISSIONS THAT THEIR AGREEMENT TO THE DECLARATION WOULD BE USED IN THE FUTURE AS A RESTRAINT AGAINST AFRICAN FREEDOM OF ACTION IN THE SC AND THE GA.

AT THAT POINT, UK AMB RICHARD EXPLAINED THE NEGOTIATING DIFFICULTY FOR THE FIVE WEO'S THAT IS OCCASIONED BY THE INEQUALITY RESULTING FROM THE FACT THAT THE THREE AFRICAN SC MEMBERS CANNOT NEGOTIATE ON THEIR OWN BUT MUST, APPARENTLY, GO BACK TO THE AFRICAN GROUP ON ALL DECLARATION ISSUES. RAMPHUL EXPLAINED THAT THE AFRICAN SC MEMBERS HAVE ALWAYS REPRESENTED BOTH THEMSELVES AND THE AFRICAN GROUP AS A WHOLE. HE DESCRIBED THIS PATTERN AS BEING ORDAINED BY THE OAU SUMMIT AND OF LONG-STANDING. HE ADDED THAT WHENEVER A NEW AFRICAN ISSUE IS TAKEN UP BY THE SC, AN AD HOC "AFRICAN STRATEGY GROUP" IS ESTABLISHED. WHEN THE STRATEGY GROUP REACHES CONCLUSIONS IT REFERS THEM TO THE WHOLE AFRICAN GROUP, AND, THEREAFTER, TO THE WHOLE OF THE NONALIGNED. FRENCH AMB LEPRETTE OBSERVED THAT THE AFRICANS AND THE WEO'S ON THE COUNCIL BEHAVE QUITE DIFFERENTLY IN THIS REGARD, AND, SPEAKING AS A NOWCOMER, HE SAID HE THOUGHT THAT THE AFRICAN REQUIREMENT FOR CONSULTATION WITH THE WHOLE OF THEIR GROUP WAS A DEPARTURE

FROM THE IDEA OF A SECURITY COUNCIL READY AND ABLE TO ACT ON SERIOUS INTERNATIONAL ISSUES. IT WAS AGREED THAT THE FIVE WEO'S AND THREE AFRICANS WILL MEET AGAIN APRIL 20 TO TRY TO WORK OUT POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS TO THE SEVEN AMENDMENTS. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 1119)

2. AFRICAN STATES' EXCHANGES IN SECURITY COUNCIL --

THE DEBATE IN THE SC ON BENIN'S COMPLAINT INCLUDED THE MOST ACRIMONIOUS EXCHANGE OF CHARGES AND ALLEGATIONS BETWEEN AFRICAN STATES HEARD IN A LONG TIME. FRANCE
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WAS THE ONLY NON-AFRICAN STATE ATTACKED BY THE AFRICANS, AND FRENCH PERM REP LAPRETTE RESPONDED IN A QUIET, RESTRAINED MANNER. ERUPTION OF OPEN ACRIMONY VISIBLY DISTURBED MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN BLOC, WHO DECRIED THIS LAPSE OF GROUP UNITY IN EVERY CORRIDOR CONVERSATION. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 1121)

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3. LAO CHARGE'S COMMENTS IN SECURITY COUNCIL --

IN HIS SC STATEMENT ON BENIN'S COMPLAINT APRIL 13, SOURINHO, LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC CHARGE, SAID HE WISHED TO JOIN "NOT AS A FORMALITY, BUT SINCERELY" IN TRIBUTE PAID BY PVIOUS SPEAKERS TO AMB YOUNG, WHO, IN A VERY SKILLFUL WAY, DISCHARGED HIS TAKS AS MARCH SC PRESIDENT. (USUN 1116)

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4. RECEPTION FOR LATIN AMERICAN GROUP --

ALL 27 PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES IN THE LATIN AMERICAN GROUP WERE INVITED TO AMB YOUNG'S APRIL 13 RECEPTION IN HONOUR OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY TODMAN. CUBA WAS REPRESENTED BY CHARGE GOMEZ ANZARDO, AND ONLY MEXICO, SURINAM AND COLOMBIA WERE NOT REPRESENTED. YOUNG'S CORDIAL WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF TODMAN AND TODMAN'S STATEMENT, IN WHICH HE SAID LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN ARE HIGH ON THE PRESIDENT'S AND SECRETARY'S PRIORITIES, WERE WELL RECEIVED. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- USUN 1122)

5. CANDIDACIES FOR HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION --

AT MEETING OF WESTERN EUROPEAN AND OTHERS GROUP, ITALY WITHDREW ITS CANDIDACY FOR HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION AND
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AMB LEONARD REAFFIRMED STRONG US INTEREST IN REELECTION
TO THAT COMMISSION. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- USUN 1108)

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6. IFAD ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT --

THE ECOSOC COMMITTEE ON NEGOTIATIONS WITH INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGENCIES HELD ITS FIRST MEETING ON IFAD ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT
UNDER CHAIRMANSHIP OF MAHGOUB (SUDAN) APRIL 14. US DEL'S (KITCHEN)

RECOMMENDATIONS WERE ACCEPTED WHICH INCLUDED LIMITING COMMITTEE INITIALLY TO A SHORT ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING. TURNING IT INTO AN INFORMAL GROUP THAT WOULD SEEK TO DETERMINE IF THE ECOSOC COMMITTEE HAD ANY MAJOR DIFFICULTIES WITH THE PROPOSED AGREEMENT, AND INVITING THE CHAIRMAN AND TWO VICE CHAIRMEN OF THE IFAD PREPARATORY COMMITTEE TO ATTEND SOME OF THE MEETINGS OF THE ECOSOC COMMITTEE.

DURING COORIDOR TALK, JAMAICAN MINISTER HALL INDICATED THAT BECAUSE HE WAS ANXIOUS TO SEE IFAD BECOME OPERATIONAL SOON AS POSSIBLE SO LOANS WOULD START TO BE MADE THIS YEAR, HE WOULD BE LESS TOUGH THAN OTHERWISE. PARSI (IRAN THOUGHT THE IFAD DRAFT ARTICLES WENT TOO FAR IN SOME AREAS BUT THAT, HOPEFULLY, THE ISSUES COULD BE ELIMINATED. DENMARK DOUBTED IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO REACH A CONSENSUS WITHIN THE ECOSOC COMMITTEE ON NEGOTIATIONS. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- USUN 1112

7. DEMONSTRATIONS --

FIFTEEN INDIVIDUALS REPRESENTING "PATRICE LUMUMBA COALITION" PICKETED USUN APRIL 14. THEY DISTRUBUTED LEAFLETS AND CARRIED PLACECARDS WHICH INCLUDED: "TELL FRANCE, MOROCCO, EGYPT AND CHINA TO GET OUT OF ZAIRE NOW," "DEATH TO MOBUTU* LET THE TRAITOR FALL*", "MOBUTU KILLED LUMUMBA -- NO AID TO ZAIRE," "WE WANT ALL MERCENARIES OUT OF AFRICA," "BROTHER ANDY, WHOSE SAID ARE YOU ON -- NOT AFRICA' S," "THE TRILATERAL COMMISSION IS A BILATERAL RIPOFF," "DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING WAS AGAINST NEO-COLONIALISM," AND "U.S. GET OUR OF ZAIRE* MOBUTU MUST FALL*"

APPROXIMATELY 60 MEMBERS OF ETHIOPIAN STUDENT UNION DEMONSTRATED
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FOR AN HOUR APRIL 14 IN FRONT OF ETHIOPIAN UN MISSION. SIGNS CARRIED BY PICKETS CALLED FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE OF POLITICAL PRISONERS IN ETHIOPIA. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- USUN 1114, 1115)

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8. REFERENDUM IN FRENCH SOMALILAND --

THE SYG REPORTED (A/32/66) THAT HE HAD CARRIED OUT THE NECESSARY CONSULTATIONS CONCERNING THE GA DECISION TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO OBSERVE THE REFERENDUM IN FRENCH SOMALILAND (DJIBOUTI) AND HAD APPOINTED THREE STATES WHOSE REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE FONSEKA (SRI LANKA), CHAIRMAN OF THE MISSION, MISS MARIA CLEMENICA LOPEZ (VENEZUELA) AND VRAALSEN (NORWAY).

9. SOCIAL COMMITTEE --

THE COMMITTEE DECIDED APRIL 13 TO CONSIDER ITEMS ALLOCATED TO IT IN THE ORDER SUGGESTED BY THE PRESIDENT IN A NOTE OF ORGANIZATION OF WORK OF THE SESSION. MARTYNENKO (UKRAINE) WAS

ELECTED AS A VICE CHAIRMAN, AND ON APRIL 14 MS. BALOGUN (NIGERIA) WAS ELECTED AS THE SECOND VICE CHAIRMAN. DEBATE BEGAN APRIL 14 ON ITEM ON ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN, WITH STATEMENTS BY ASYG SIPILA AND REPRESENTATIVES OF ARGENTINA, JAPAN, POLAND, PAKISTAN, FRG, ILO, WORLD FEDERATION OF TRADE UNIONS, AND THE INTERNATIONAL CONFEDERATION OF FREE TRADE UNIONS. MOST DELEGATES CONFINED THEMSELVES TO COMMENTS ON THE REPORT OF THE COMMISSION FOR THE STATUS OF WOMEN AND MORE SPECIFICALLY ON THE DRAFT CONVENTION ON ELIMINATION OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN. ARGENTINA AND JAPAN COMMENTED IN SOME DETAIL ON SPECIFIC ARTICLES OF THE CONVENTION WITH WHICH THEY ARE NOT IN AGREEMENT. OTHERS SIMPLY VOICED THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE CONVENTION IN GENERAL AND RESERVED THEIR POSITIONS FOR AN IN-DEPTH DISCUSSION IN THE GA. (USUN 1117)

10. COMMITTEE OF 24 SUBCOMMITTEE ON SMALL TERRITORIES --
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DALTON (UK) MADE AN INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT IN THE SUBCOMMITTEE APRIL 14 ON CONDITIONS IN THE BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS, MONTSEERRAT, AND TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS. ALSO, RAPPORTEUR FORRESTER (AUSTRALIA) INTRODUCED DRAFT REPORTS BY THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON THE SOLOMON ISLANDS AND BRUNEL.

DALTON TOLD THE SUBCOMMITTEE HMG SAW THE SITUATION IN MONTSEERRAT AS BEING IN A TRANSITIONAL STAGE BEFORE FULL INDEPENDENCE AND FULL INTERNAL SELF-GOVERNMENT. THE PRESENT GOVERNMENT OF THE BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS WAS COMMITTED TO A PERIOD OF CONSOLIDATION, ATTACHED GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THE ACHIEVEMENT OF A VIABLE SELF-SUPPORTING ECONOMY AS A PREREQUISITE FOR SIGNIFICANT CONSTITUTIONAL ADVANCE, AND CONSIDERED THAT A FULL MANPOWER DEVELOPMENT PLAN WAS NOT NECESSARY BUT THAT LESS AMBITIOUS STUDIES OF THAT KIND SHOULD BE UNDERTAKEN. A NEW CONSTITUTION FOR THE TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS HAD BEEN BROUGHT INTO FORCE AUG. 30 AND POLITICAL PARTIES HAD BEGUN TO EMERGE. THERE WAS A QUICKENING OF COMMERCIAL INTEREST IN THE ISLANDS, DALTON SAID, REPORTING ON GAINS FOR THE YEAR IN CONSTRUCTION, FISH PROCESSING AND AIR TRANSPORTATION.

11. APARTHEID COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN --

UN PRESS RELEASE STATED HARRIMAN (NIGERIA), CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE AGAINST APARTHEID, WOULD VISIT SWEDEN, NORWAY, DENMARK AND FINLAND FROM APRIL 14 TO 23, AT INVITATION OF THE FOUR GOVERNMENTS, FOR CONSULTATIONS ON INTERNATIONAL ACTION AGAINST APARTHEID. THE UN ALSO REPORTED THAT CHAIRMAN HARRIMAN HAD SENT A CABLE OF APPRECIATION TO THE COMMITTEE TO STOP THE DAVIS CUP, WHICH IS HOLDING A DEMONSTRATION APRIL 15-17 IN NEWPORT BEACH, CALIFORNIA, AGAINST A DAVIS CUP TENNIS MATCH BETWEEN SOUTH AFRICA AND THE USA.

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12. SECURITY COUNCIL -- BENIN'S COMPLAINT

BY CONSENSUS, THE SC APRIL 14 ADOPTED A RESOLUTION (S/12322)
WHICH "CONDEMNED STRONGLY THE ACT OF ARMED AGGRESSION" AGAINST
BENIN JAN 16 AND CONDEMNED "ALL FORMS OF EXTERNAL INTERFERENCE
IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF MEMBER STATES, INCLUDING THE USE OF
INTERNATIONAL MERCENARIES TO DESTABILIZE STATES AND/OR TO VIOLATE
THE TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY, SOVEREIGNTY AND INDEPENDENCE OF
STATES." THE DRAFT, INTRODUCED BY MAURITIUS, WAS ALSO SPONSORED
BY LIBYA, BENIN, INDIA AND PANAMA. BEFORE ADOPTING THE RESOLUTION,

THE COUNCIL AT TWO MEETINGS HEARD THE FINAL SPEAKERS IN THE DEBATE. MUCH OF THE TIME WAS TAKEN UP BY ACRIMONIOUS CHARGES AND COUNTER CHARGES.

THE RESOLUTION ALSO CALLED ON ALL STATES TO PROVIDE THE SC WITH ANY INFORMATION THEY MIGHT HAVE WHICH WAS "LIKELY TO THROW FURTHER LIGHT" ON THE JAN 16 EVENTS, NOTED THE REPORT OF THE FACT-FINDING MISSION, CALLED ON STATES TO BE VIGILANT AGAINST THE DANGER POSED BY INTERNATIONAL MERCENARIES AND CALLED ON STATES TO CONSIDER TAKING MEASURES TO PROHIBIT, UNDER DOMESTIC LAWS, SUCH ACTIONS. UNDER OTHER PROVISIONS OF THE RESOLUTION, THE SC REQUESTED THE SYG TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO BENIN IN ASSESSING AND EVALUATING THE DAMAGE RESULTING FROM THE JAN 16 EVENTS, AND APPEALED TO ALL STATES TO PROVIDE MATERIAL ASSISTANCE TO BENIN TO ENABLE IT TO REPAIR THE DAMAGE AND LOSSES INFLICTED DURING THE ATTACK. IT ALSO NOTED THAT BENIN "RESERVED ITS RIGHT WITH RESPECT TO ANY EVENTUAL CLAIMS FOR COMPENSATION WHICH IT MAY WISH TO ASSERT," REQUESTED THE SYG TO FOLLOW CLOSELY THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RESOLUTION, AND DECIDED TO REMAIN SEIZED OF THE MATTER. AT THE END OF THE MEETING, PRESIDENT CONSALVI (VENEZUELA) SAID THE COUNCIL HAD NOW "COMPLETED THIS STAGE" IN ITS CONSIDERATION OF THE MATTER.

AMB RAMPHUL (MAURITIUS), INTRODUCING THE DRAFT RESOLUTION, SAID THAT AFTER EXTENSIVE NEGOTIATIONS IT WAS CLEAR THAT "A CONFIDENTIAL

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CONSENSUS DOES EXIST" FOR ITS ADOPTION. LATER IN THE MEETING, HE INDICATED HE WAS EXPECTING AUTHORIZATION FROM HIS GOVERNMENT TO PLACE THE QUESTION OF MERCENARIES ON THE AGENDA OF THE NEXT GA.

HUSSEN (SOMALIA) SAID THE PROBLEM OF MERCENARISM WAS AN INTEGRAL PART OF A COMPLEX SCHEME CONTRIVED BY "NEO-COLONIALISM IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN AND PROTECT ITS HUGE INTERESTS IN AFRICA." DURING THE COURSE OF HIS DENUNCIATION OF INTERNATIONAL MERCENARIES (AND ALSO MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS), HE NOTED THAT THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR HAD REPORTED ON A "HELP WANTED" ADVERTISEMENT IN A NEWSPAPER SEEKING PEOPLE WITH MILITARY BACKGROUND FOR "HIGH RISK" WORK IN AFRICA.

FALL (SENEGAL) DENIED AGAIN THAT HIS COUNTRY WAS IN ANY WAY INVOLVED IN THE JAN 16 EVENTS IN BEN, SAID THE INVESTIGATION SHOULD CONTINUE, CALLED THE PRESENT DEBATE "REGRETTABLE," AND ACCUSED BENIN OF TRYING TO DIVIDE AFRICA. HE POINTED OUT THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF BENIN STATED BETWEEN JAN 16 AND FEB 7 THAT IT HAD CAPTURED WHITE MERCENARIES AND HAD PUBLISHED PHOTOGRAPHS, AND HE ASKED IF THE SC MISSION HAD IN FACT ASKED TO SEE THE CAPTURED WHITE MERCENARIES AND WHAT THE RESPONSE HAD BEEN.

CAMARA (GUINEA) CHARGED THAT SENEGAL AND THE IVORY COAST HAD BECOME SPRINGBOARDS FOR ANTI-GUINEAN ACTIVITIES. HE SUBMITTED DOCUMENTS WHICH, HE SAID, SHOWED MERCENARY BASES ON THE FRONTIERS

OF GUINEA AND PLANS FO AN IMMINENT ATTACK ON HIS COUNTRY. HE ALSO DECLARED THAT AFRICA "WILL SOON BE FREE OF THE PUPPETISM OF HOUPHOUET-BOIGNY AND LEOPOLD SENGHOR." CHALE (TANZANIA), WHO CONSIDERED THAT THE SC MISSION'S REPORT COULD NOT BE MORE OBJECTIVE OR FINFORMATIVE, SAID THE SC SHOULD CONDEMN THE RECRUITMENT AND USE OF MERCENARIES AGAINST SOVEREIGN STATES AND ALSO AGAINST NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS.

RAMPHUL APPEALED AGAIN TO HIS AFRICAN BROTHERS TO RECONSIDER TAKING PART IN THE DEBATE SO THAT AN END COULD BE PUT TO "THIS RATHER SAID AFFAIR". MENSAH (UPPER VOLTA) WAS DEEPLY
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ANXIOUS "OVER THE DEPLORABLE SPECTACLE THE AFRICANS ARE PROVIDING HERE CONTRARY TO AFRICAN TRADITIONS." HE CONDEMNED THE AGGRES- SION AGAINST BENIN, BUT HE COULD NOT APPROVE THE PERSONAL ATTACKS MADE BY VARIOUS DELEGATIONS. LOBO (MOZAMBIQUE) ASKED HOW STATES COULD JUSTIFY SPEAKING AGAINST "INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM," WHILE AT THE SAME TIME RECRUITING, TRAINING AND USING MERCENARIES. HE CALLED FOR URGENT AND EFFECTIVE MEASURES TO END THE USE OF MERCENARIES.

N'DONG (GABON) ACCUSED BENIN OF VIOLATING THE AFRICAN GROUP "GENTLEMEN'S" AGREEMENT BY CIRCULATING ITS REPORT, AND HE CATEGORICALLY REFUTED ALL ALLEGATIONS AGAINST GABON REGARDING EVENTS IN BENIN. HE STATED THAT THE DOCUMENT PURPORTING TO HAVE THE SIGNATURE OF THE PRESIDENT OF GABON WAS A FORGERY. MIKO (EQUATORIAL GUINEA) EXPRESSED "MILITANT SUPPORT AND SOLIDARITY" WITH BEININ, AND SAID HIS COUNTRY HAD ALSO BEEN THE TARGET OF IMPERIALIST DESIGNS.

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KANTE (MALI) STATED THAT FOR THE FIRST TIME THE SC HAD BEFORE IT DOCUMENTS PROVING THE EXISTENCE OF THE MERCENARIES AND THEIR BASES, AND THIS EVIDENCE MUST BE PURSUED. IT WAS NECESSARY TO FIND OUT WHO WAS BEHIND THE AGGRESSION, AND THEN TO ELIMINATE THE PHENOMENON OF INTERNATIONAL MERCENARISM. THE SC MUST STRENGTHEN PREVIOUS UN RESOLUTION ON MERCENARISM AND THE UN MUST ELABORATE A CONVENTION AGAINST IT. ALSO, BENIN MUST RECEIVE COMPENSATION FOR THE DAMAGES IT HAD SUFFERED, HE SAID. PUNTSAGNOROV (MONGOLIA) HOPED THE SC WOULD DENOUNCE THE AGGRESSION AGAINST BENIN AND THE USE OF MERCENARIES, AND THAT ITS ACTION WOULD SERVE AS A WARNING AGAINST FURTHER ATTACKS.

AKE (IVORY COAST), REPLYING TO GUINEA, DEFENDED HIS PRESIDENT, ASKED WHY SO MANY GUINEANS HAD GONE TO THE IVORY COAST AND SENEGAL AS REFUGEES, CHARGED THAT GUINEA CONTINUED TO BELIEVE IN HALLUCINATIONS, AND REITERATED THE INVITATION TO THE SC TO SEND A MISSION TO THE IVORY COAST. FALL (SENEGAL), ALSO REPLYING TO GUINEA, REFERRED TO THE LARGE NUMBER OF GUINEANS WHO WERE REFUGEES AND CONAKRY RADIO'S "VIOLENT ATTACKS" AGAINST SENEGAL, AND CONCLUDED THAT THE ACTIONS OF GUINEA WERE NOT "ANTI-IMPERIALIST" BUT "THE DESPERATE EFFORTS OF A DICTATORSHIP TRYING TO SURVIVE."

LAI YA-LI (CHINA) CONDEMNED THE INVASION OF BENIN BY IMPERIALISM AND ITS MERCENARIES, AND ALSO STRONGLY CONDEMNED THAT SUPERPOWER WHICH ENGINEERED SINGLEHANDED THE MASSIVE INVASION OF ZAIRE BY MERCENARIES -- ANOTHER GLARING REVELATION OF THE AGGRESSIVE AND EXPANSIONIST FEATURES OF SOCIAL-IMPERIALISM.

TROYANOVSKY (SOVIET UNION) REPLIED THAT THERE WAS "A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF DISTURBANCE" IN SOUTHERN ZAIRE, AND THERE WERE "MANIFESTATIONS AGAINST THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT" BUT IT WAS "A STRICTLY INTERNAL CONFLICT" AND NEED NOT CONCERN ANYONE OUTSIDE ZAIRE. HOWEVER, FROM THE OUTSET, ATTEMPTS
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TO INTERFERE HAD BEEN MADE BY "SOME IN THE WEST, SOME IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND SOME IN THE FAR EAST." TO COVER UP THEIR INTERFERENCE," THE IMPERIALIST FORCES AND THEIR ACCOMPLICES" WERE CIRCULATING FALSE STORIES TO THE EFFECT THAT ZAIRE HAD BEEN INVADED BY ANGOLAN AND CUBAN TROOPS. THIS WAS A "SHORT-LIVED LIE," AND THE WORLD KNEW THAT NOT A SINGLE ANGOLAN OR CUBAN WAS WITH THE REBELS IN SOUTHERN ZAIRE. "THE SOVIET UNION RESOLUTELY REJECTS AS ABSURD ANY ALLEGATIONS OF ITS COMPLICITY IN THE EVENTS IN ZAIRE," TROYANOVSKY SAID.

LAI, REPLYING, CHARGED THAT "SEVERAL THOUSAND SOVIET-HIRED MERCENARIES HAD LAUNCHED AGGRESSION AGAINST ZAIRE." AFTER THE SOVIET INSPIRED INVASION OF ANGOLA, THOSE MERCENARIES HAD ALSO BEEN USED TO BUTCHER THE PEOPLE OF ANGOLA. THEY HAD LATER BEEN DIRECTED TO BOMBARD CITIES IN KATANGA, AND HAD SINCE INVADED ZAIRE. "SOVIET SOCIAL-IMPERIALISM IS THE BOSS OF THOSE MERCENARIES," LAI DECLARED. TROYANOVSKY RESPONDED THAT THE TASS STATEMENT PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED WAS A REPLY TO THE CHINESE REPRESENTATIVE.

ILLUECA (PANAMA), CHAIRMAN OF THE SC MISSION TO BENIN, REPLYING TO SENEGAL'S QUESTION EARLIER, SAID THAT FROM JAN. 16 TO 19 AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF WHITES SUPECTED OF BEING MERCENARIES HAD BEEN DETAINED IN A MILITARY CAMP IN BENIN, ACCORDING TO THE TESTIMONY RECEIVED. THE MISSION HAD BEEN TOLD THAT TWO MERCENARIES -- ONE WHITE AND ONE BLACK -- HAD BEEN KILLED. ONE MEMBER OF THE ATTACKING FORCE HAD BEEN CAPTURED AND INTERROGATED BY THE MISSION.

BOYA (BENIN) THANKED ALL THOSE WHO HAD SUPPORTED THE CAUSE OF BENIN. THE PRESIDENT THEN STATED THAT AS A RESULT OF CONSULTATIONS IT APPEARED THAT THE COUNCIL WISHED TO ADOPT THE DRAFT RESOLUTION BY CONSENSUS, AND HE DECLARED IT ADOPTED.

AMB SHERER EXPLAINED THAT USDEL SUPPORTED THE DRAFT BECAUSE OF ITS CONCERN OVER THE VIOLATION OF TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY
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OF BENIN AND THE LOSS OF LIFE THERE. IT WAS AGAINST US LAW FOR MERCENARIES TO BE RECRUITED, AND THE US WOULD ACT VIGOROUSLY AGAINST ANY VIOLATIONS OF SUCH LAWS, HE STATED.

RAMPHUL WELCOMED THE US STATEMENT ON MERCENARIES, SAID

THE SC MISSION DESERVED "PRAISE AND THANKS," AND NOTED THE
COUNCIL HAD SEEN "THE UNFORTUNATE SPECTACLE OF AFRICANS
SHOUTING AT EACH OTHER" AND HAD EVEN BEEN TAKEN ON
"A SHORT SURPRISE JOURNEY TO ZAIRE." (REPEATED INFO
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